Amendment to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph on page 6, lines11-23 as follows:

The network 100 may have a plurality of nodes 110 and hops or lines 112 connecting the nodes 110 to one another. The term >line= or >hop= used herein refers to any data transmission medium, including physical conductors or radio frequency devices and their associated components. The nodes 110 may, as examples, be routers or other electronic transfer devices as are known in the art. It should be noted that each of the nodes 110 shown in Fig. 1 may represent a plurality of these electronic data transfer devices. It should be noted that the network 100 illustrated in Fig. 1 [[3]] is only an example of a network and that other networks typically have many more nodes and lines.

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